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ANARCHISTS TAKE OVER CND DEMO

WHEN CND announced a demo against new nuke deployments at USAF Upper Heyford, Autonomous Peace Action denounced their planned protests as "carnivals of passivity and powerlessness".

When police passed APA's leaflet to CND organizer David Merrill, he distanced himself from direct action and started training stewards to deal with APA.

The stewards had little effect. On October 15th, APA got more people into the base more times and in more sensitive areas than all the CND groups combined. Whilst the CNDers stood around waving daffodils or lay on the runway waiting to be arrested, APA did the business.

APA activists from Plymouth, Portsmouth, Oxford, Birmingham and Liverpool got into the High Security Bomb store, ran wild in the Residential Area and Officer's Club grounds, and finished up playing football by the Ministry of Defence Police Station.

They occupied the roof of the base's Command Bunker and held a watertower for half an hour. Both police and military tried to end the latter occupation, and even the CNDers joined in slagging off RAF Squadron

Leader Swaine as an American puppet when he appeared on the scene. CNDers also helped scare off police camera crews when we pointed them out.

Action was also taken against the police protecting the base. Ministry of Defence police ('MoD plods') were stoned and a police helicopter grounded for three hours. Those listening in on the police confirmed the loss of the police helicopter made it possible for small groups to get into the base unnoticed.

And only two people from APA were arrested for all this effective action.

The stone throwing has caused some flutters in the peace dovecote. 'Peace News' journalist Indra Morris denounced APA's effective action as violent and used smear tactics to panic the Upper Heyford Peace Camp into issuing statements disassociating themselves from APA's actions. CND bureaucrats like David Merrill then joined in saying APA diverted attention from their daffodil-waving.

Don't let such people divide APA from the real activists in CND who are tired of stirring up apathy. See you all at the next demo!

FASLANE GETS INTO NUKE SUB.

Faslane peace campers were released without charge after being found lounging in the swivel chairs in the Control Room of nuclear submarine HMS Repulse. Later a woman camper swam out to the dry dock where HMS Resolution (another Polaris submarine) was laid up, being caught only after several hours wandering around there.

The boarding of these submarines were the most serious breaches of security in twenty years of the Polaris fleet.

Despite "unbreachable" weld mesh fences and the Bandit Alarms Minister of Defence George Younger boasted of at the Tory Party Conference, the peace campers have also investigated Trident bunkers at nearby RNAD Coulport. A Mammoth Major nuclear weapons transporter from this base was recently involved in a fatal crash with an MG near Ilminster whilst carrying nuclear depth charges. This was the third big accident involving nuclear convoys in three years.

'Faslane Focus' is available free from Faslane Peace Camp, Shandon, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire, Scotland.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDANT AT NATIONAL
C. N. D. CONFERENCE

Zzzz.... Zzzz.... Zzzz....

SKILL-SHARING CAMPS.

Two of these well-attended week-long events where available this summer, one near Cardigan SW Wales, the other in Constable Country near Ipswich. The glorious sunshine at the second made up for the rain and mass illness at the first, both achieving a blend of pure relaxation with chances to "share and learn tools and ideas" through daily, semi-planned workshops during the day. Popular subjects included circle dancing, massage, Tarot reading, land rights and shoplifting although a discussion on carving/sharpening saws, knives and axes was the most valuable to me. Communal meals were always available along with various campfire spaces during the evening. Both camps were in fields near established communities and the chance to learn about everyday life at these often fantasized places was interesting, undoubtedly personal problems being the hardest to overcome it seems. If these events had any problems, then each person who was there had as much responsibility as anyone and that's the way I like it. If you want more information or want to help facilitate next years camps then contact: New University, Hockley House, 24 South Street, Hockley, Birmingham B18.

Speed.

MACDEATH FRIED

On October 16th - World Food Day - a McDonalds fast 'food' store burned down in Shrewsbury during worldwide protests against the multinational mega-corp.

Running demo in Exeter

Plymouth Anarchists report that for half an hour 200 anarchists held Exeter town centre while angry pigs chased them around.

About 2000 people, trots, youn Labour, Irish republicans and anarchists started marching at 2pm. on Sept 17th to protest about the fascist Orange march being held being held that day in Exeter. But the two marches were kept well apart.

The demo was the usual affair of slogans and counter-slogans; walking round a route, predetermined by the pigs well away from the fascists, and back to the beginning again.

The 200 anarchists broke away and held the town centre for half an hour, running rings round the infuriated local pigs. There were a few arrests and one anarchist was held over the weekend.

PORTON DOWN PEACE CAMP

Director Graham Pearson met the peace camp delegation on 29th July and he admitted that they were producing riot control gas at Pains Wessex and transporting simulant nerve gas around the country. He was also concerned that the place would close when the Chemical Weapons Convention is signed.

- * Contact me through Box ZZ, 34 Cowley Road, Oxford; we have found a secure site and have local contacts, so need permeant peace campers.
- * Contact Roger Dwek on 01-607 7984 if into a weekly picket of the Iraqi Embassy in London.



STONEHENGE SITE?

That rumour about Michael Eavis buying the Cholderton Woods site just ain't true. A farm in the area has just been sold, but at £600,000 the money couldn't be found in time. More negotiations are under way... Meanwhile he is trying to rent a site in Wiltshire... Glastonbury is on but will end just before the Solstice. (Source: OXFEN, 20th Nov. '88)

AKKUATOR - SKOOL BUS BENEFIT

The site was a large field and nearly filled with the biggest gathering of travellers this year. Lots of bands played including Hawkwind who played lots of oldies with a good lights show and five breathers. Firewood was provided by the organisers and there was a really good fair, with everything from crafts and teeshirts to vegaburgers on sale. The 2,000 travellers and festival-goers raised £2,000 for the Skool Bus after expenses and there did seem to be more kids than usual and plenty of things for them to do. Some fools still drove around the site very fast, but everyone had a good time at this successful, well-organised festival.

Let's have more fee-paying 'Free' (donations?) Festivals, more organisation (co-operation) and work together to really unite ourselves.

John Harrison.

BLOWINGHOUSE

We gathered in a park in Penzance on the hottest day of the year. Various bands played late into the night under a white marquee with light show, including Hawkwind. Lots of stalls, trampolines for kids and strange statues by the Mutoid Waste People. Very green and middle-class and a strong comparison to the travellers gathered days earlier in the overflow car park area a few miles down the road. Plenty of intoxicants were around at a price although the abuse following a refusal was free: "Where's your brew, you bastard?" This crowd, much maligned by the Green Press are the "medieval brigands" of our time and as such are more important in revolutionary terms than any muesli-eater gathering. In the end they'll throw the first brick against authority.

Jason.

Welsh gut Mayfair estate agency.

In their campaign for Welsh independence the Sons of Owen Gwynndir planted 5 timed incendiary bombs at Central London estate agencies which sell Welsh homes to the English as second homes. One of the bombs started a fire which gutted all five floors of a major estate agency in Mayfair.

Almost a thousand years ago, Owen Gwynndir fought to stop Norman barons invading Wales and stealing Welsh land to impose feudalism on them.

Over the last ten years, the Sons of Owen Gwynndir have been fighting a new invasion from English overlords: yuppies buying up holiday homes in Wales and using their wealth to control the communities they have bought. They have burned out at least 100 holiday homes and carried out bomb attacks on estate agents across the border. Class War have been

backing the Sons of Owen Gwynndir's campaign by helping out Welsh-language bands doing fund-raising gigs. A special police unit formed to combat the Sons have raided the homes of Class war activists. No arrests have been made. This is unsurprising considering that the police have wasted considerable time actually trying to track down Owen Gwynndir himself - even though he's been dead hundreds of years!

Unfortunately alliances have also been made between the National Front and extreme right-wing Welsh nationalists, demanding apartheid between English and Welsh people rather than economic equality and mutual respect for each others cultures as the Sons of Owen Gwynndir do. We understand that whilst these right-wingers are a smaller group, they are potentially considerably more violent, with access to explosives and automatic weapons. Some have been arrested in the past for possession of these items, although plots to use them have usually ended in farce.

SOUTHERN ANARCHIST NETWORK.

The second meeting of the Southern Anarchist Network was held in Oxford on Dec. 4. In numbers it was good, but there were only 4 groups represented, Portsmouth, North East London Polytechnic, London FIN and Oxford.

There was a report-back on actions and a general discussion. 5 workshops were held, on meat-eating (meat had been provided as part of the food which caused some unhappiness). The discussion centred on whether a vegan diet exploits the Third World. The other workshops were violence at Free Festivals, feminism, and green anarchism (most ly about whether to support the workers or not).

The next meeting will be at Portsmouth in about 3 month's time.

WHERE ARE YOU, STEVE?

In 1974 Steve and Windy squatted a house in 'Free-stonia'. It has been squatted ever since. The owner is now trying to evict the present squatters, one of whom, Alberta, has been there for 10 years. If they can prove that it has been squatted for 12 years the owner loses possession. The owner says that Steve squatted it in 1977, not 1974. So they need you, Steve. (Steve's got a son, Saxon). Phone the Advisory Service for Squatters. 01 359 8814.

WORKERISTS GO WHACKO

DAM has split from the newly-formed Anarchist Workers Group, denouncing their 'vanguardism'. It seems the AWG's economism leads them to reject all struggles except that to replace official unions of rich industrial workers with their own. Never mind animal rights: if you're a claimant, they don't want to know!

Their revolutionary strategy seems to consist of getting the already rich to demand even greater wages until capitalism is bankrupted! Perhaps an ana-cho-Stalinist label is a bit harsh, but do they seriously believe

those dependant on the affluent society are going to work to end it?

Meanwhile the councilists of 'Wildcat' own strange struggle against authoritarianism leads them to note: "Just as, at present, we do whatever we can for the class struggle, regardless of the views of the majority of those around us, so in the revolution, when we will have the power to do a lot more, we will act in the interests of communism, whether mandated by the majority or not". Slavery is freedom, eh?

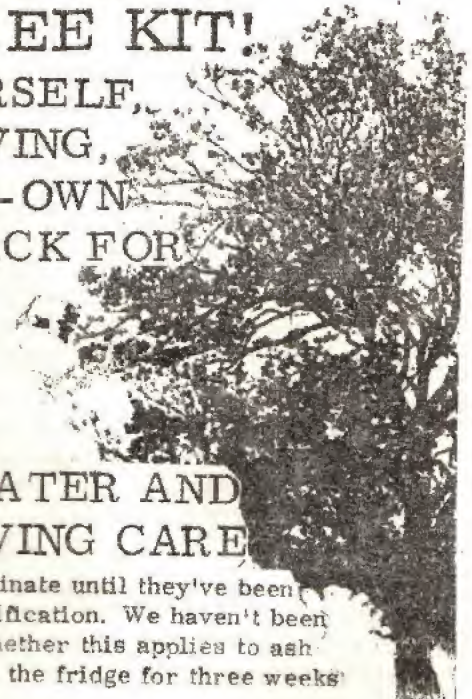
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LABOUR-SAVING,
GROW-YOUR-OWN
STARTER PACK FOR
FORESTS.

JUST ADD WATER AND
TENDER LOVING CARE

Some seeds don't germinate until they've been frozen for a bit - stratification. We haven't been able to establish yet whether this applies to ash tree seeds. So put it in the fridge for three weeks just in case



THE WORLD

Autonomen route World Bank.

Between 26th to 29th September, the World Bank gathered in Berlin for the International IMF Congress. Between them the World Bank and IMF are the most powerful institutions on the planet, with an ability to buy and sell countries and decide who to starve with austerity measures and who to spare by rescheduling the Third World Debt they manufactured.

The German Autonomen were not prepared to let the bankers play power-brokers in Berlin without reminding them of the suffering such decisions caused in the Third World. Despite 10,000 extra riot cops being drafted into the area, they were unable to prevent an equivalent number of anarchists running wild through the streets for a week, rioting and trashing banks.

On the last day of the IMF Congress, 50,000 protestors

surrounded the Congress area with a mass blockade. On police advice, the bankers fled Berlin, being driven with cop escorts direct to the airport without even time to collect together their luggage. By forcing the World Bank to scrap the last day of their Congress, the Autonomen won a victory for the anarchist movement of international significance.

Meanwhile in London, 100 people joined London Greenpeace's picket of the Bank of England on the 29th to show solidarity with the Autonomen. This date was also the fifth anniversary of the first Stop the City demo in London.

In Stockholm, Swedish anarchists smashed bank windows and in Malmo they distributed 10 krona notes stamped with anti-World Bank slogans denouncing them as "international murderers".

Athens anarchists 3 day action

For three days in September Greek anarchists in Athens fought the police and carried out occupations and demonstrations. The actions started from a demo in memory of a 15 year old anarchist shot by a policeman who was sentenced to only two years for his murder. The sentence was suspended pending appeal and the policeman released... to go back to policing!

Five banks were molotoved. The Polytechnic was occupied by 150 anarchists. The Vice President of Greece was forced to withdraw the police and the government was forced to appeal against the suspension of the sentence.

NORTH AMERICAN SURVIVAL CATHERING DEMO

On the last day of the International Anarchist Gathering, groups there from across the North American continent heard about the Iranian airliner shootdown, in which 290 died. They took to the streets of Toronto and staged Canada's first 'Stop the City'-type demo, which included burning US flags at a war memorial and fights and chases with police. 42 were arrested. One police sergeant noted in horror: "We can't pen them in. This is like Europe. Usually they go limp, we pick them up and take them away. This is definitely new - running in the streets".

GREENPEACE GETS BOSSY

Greenpeace International HQ sent their "efficiency expert" to an office in Seattle last June. He ordered phonebank workers there to use hard-sell tactics to get \$250 from each Greenpeace member, whatever their financial circumstances.

To ensure the phonebank workers towed the line, Greenpeace management announced they would be installing surveillance equipment to spy on them. The workers insisted this would violate their privacy and when phonerom supervisors were fired, they joined the IWW (International Workers of the World).

They argued that Greenpeace International should devote more attention to broad-based direct action and less on funding a small bureaucratic elite. Negotiations are proceeding.

Contact the Seattle Greenpeace Workers Organizing Committee (Industrial Union 670, IWW), c/o 412 NE 63rd Street, Seattle, WA 98115, Canada to express solidarity.

ANTI-APARTHEID ACTIONS CENSORED

Sweden: Social Democrat and Chair of ISAK (Isolate South Africa Committee, the countries main dis-investment campaign) Roger Hallhag has warned Swedish anarchist magazine 'Brand' to stop reporting direct action against Shell petrol stations being carried out by militants.

Hallhag has also said he will report such militants to the Swedish Secret Police, and suppressed reports on the bombing of a Shell station near Gothenburg. Brand suspect this is part of a general process of denying anti-apartheid militants 'the oxygen of publicity'.

NASA HACKER.

A computer hacker has got into top security American computer systems - NASA, nuclear laboratories and weapons establishments - and implanted a programme which started destroying the database like a virus. Wouldn't it be nice if some friendly computer hacker did the same for our police files?

The Pattern: Our government, in our name, keeps Third World puppets in power with our guns to suppress their own people, take their land and crops to sell to us. They are starving because their land grows cash crops for us, because we send the guns to do so.

Our guns crush Sarawak

Mrs. Thatcher came back from Malaysia and announced triumphantly that she had signed a contract to provide Malaysia with £2 billion worth of arms. Those arms are now being used against the Malaysians themselves.

For the last two years the indigenous peoples of the Sarawak Rainforests in Malaysia have been struggling against the central government of Dr Mahathir Bin Mohamed and his regime's attempts to drive them from their lands and destroy their way of life.

This corrupt regime uses logging concessions as 'backhanders' to those loyal to them and as a way of keeping indigenous peoples in line. They are indifferent to the damage such logging does to the forests and

peoples living within them. Asked whether destruction of the rainforests might do environmental damage, Minister for the Environment James Wong responded "We get too much rain in Sarawak - it stops me playing golf".

The Sarawakese responded to the invasion of their land by logging concerns by digging trenches across forest trails and chaining themselves in the path of the loggers vehicles. The Malaysian government passed new laws to make such blockading illegal and arrested 42 activists key to this resistance.

On Halloween '88, the trial of the Sarawak 42 began attracting international support for their cause. Meanwhile the British government has made it clear which side they're on by signing a £2 billion arms deal with the Malaysian regime.



LOGGING CANADIAN TRIBAL LANDS

The Temagami of Bear Island, Ontario, have never surrendered their lands to the Canadian government. This has not stopped so-called Minister for Natural Resources Vince Kerrio OKing the construction of the Red Squirrel Lumber Road through their territory. The Temagami are resisting this through the courts - not least because Pinetorch Road Development plan to add insult to injury by stealing timber from their lands after the road is built - and blockades have been established at Wendaban and Misabi Camps.

Meanwhile, the Californian tribes also face the threat of development. A road is planned through their burial grounds and the Sequioa forests surrounding them. Although the native Americans are taking legal action, the genocide waged against them last century by the US government means they are too few and too scattered to take more direct action against those violating their ancestral lands.

Tree-spiking has often proved successful in deterring logging concerns in the past, although it is unknown whether such tactics will be used in these land struggles.

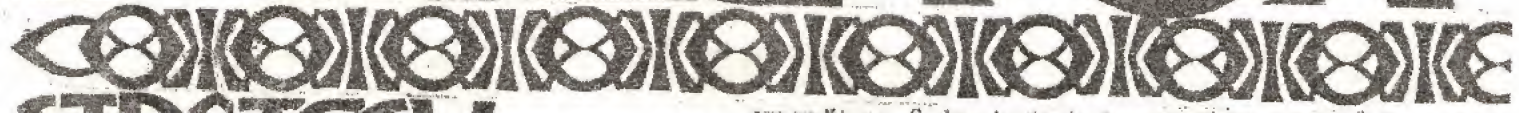
GUATEMALA CHEMICAL WARFARE.

The US Drug Enforcement Agency is spraying the uplands of Guatemala with cancer-causing chemicals, even though its too cold for marijuana and opium poppies to grow there. So far 14 Indian peasants have died from contaminated drinking water. The Indians say the spraying is part of the Guatemalan militaries strategy to destroy guerrilla forces in the area by terrorising the Indian population at large.

DEA eradication programmes in Latin America have been widely criticised, as most of the US puppets down there are propped up by drug sales using CIA-constructed airstrips. Whilst Reaganites play for domestic support with their hypocritical 'War Against (some) Drugs', people are poisoned in the Third World for keeping US foreign policy ticking over.

For more information on the struggles of indigenous peoples, contact: Survival International, 310 Edgware Road, London W2 1DY.

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STRATEGY



WEALTH IS PRODUCED, not by the Marxist socially useful labour in manufacturing by the industrial workers but by the peasants and miners producing the raw materials. It is the peasants and the miners who have the stranglehold, not the industrial workers who refine and distribute these raw materials.

Like the Roman Empire both Russia and America are militarily overextended. They cannot afford to hold on to their spheres of influence. They can no longer afford to keep sending the arms to keep their Third World puppets in power to suppress their own people and force them to produce the raw materials on which the developed world's wealth is based. Without those guns, the peasants in the hills of the Third World will stop growing the crops for export and use the land for themselves instead. The governments of the developed world get their income from taxation on the refining (income tax) and distribution (indirect taxes) of these crops. Therefore our governments income will be reduced. So they can afford even fewer arms for the Third World. So they get even fewer crops and less income, until they cannot afford enough military power to control its own periphery, in the hills of Scotland and Wales.

Even now in these areas the police are getting fewer. They are visited less and less by government officials. Planning laws are quietly ignored. And the number of 'hippies' is increasing. One day they will start pulling down the bridges to make those official visits even fewer. Sheep farms will suffer increasing thefts until they are uneconomic. The soldiers and police will try to regain control but there will be no roads for their vehicles. To maintain control a State needs roads. So the roads and bridges will be demolished by the anarchists. And there will be hardly any petrol. So, without roads and petrol, vehicles will be useless. Horses will be used for any sort of transport or fast aggressive action. But their numbers will be limited by the lack of fodder. Guns and ammunition will be short. Weapons like crossbows will have to be used.

At the moment we are so few and they are so many. That will change and a thousand crossbows against ten guns makes sense, not to win a set piece battle but to make the sheep farms uneconomic, to make the farmers decamp as they have in Matabeleland in Zimbabwe. The hippies, living on the sheep and the deer, growing their own fruit and veg will become increasingly self-sufficient. The State will struggle to keep control of the towns and the roads on the periphery but will lose control of the countryside between. And so will lose the income from the crops. There will be no point in the State spending money holding the towns if the crops aren't coming in. The State will retreat. It will never admit it. All we'll know is that another radio station has gone off the air.

Today there is no point in planning to establish no go areas in the hills. The State is still far too strong. But it can be weakened by reducing its taxation income and increasing its

expenditure. So buy in the informal, black, untaxed economy. Grow your own food. Make your own clothes. And cause the government to spend money wherever possible!

Richard Hunt



WHY THE THIRD WORLD COUNTS



WHOEVER CONTROLS PRODUCTION controls society. The State claim they do because they own it, others that the workers do because they can halt production by striking. But production can also be controlled through the supply of energy and raw materials needed to keep it going.

The 1974 Miners Strike was won because without coal the power stations couldn't generate enough energy to keep industry running. The miners proved resources were key to controlling production, not who owns or works in particular factories. Most resources come from the Third World.

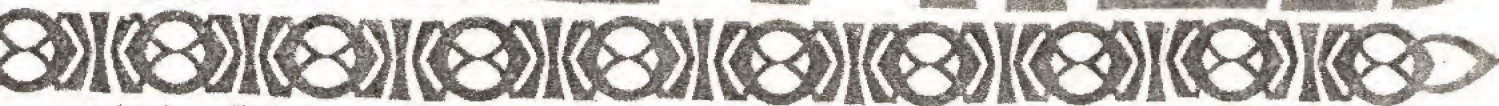
The miners won because OPEC doubled oil prices two years earlier. Oil-fired power stations were mothballed so industry was dependant on coal. Ten years later the miners lost because of coal from South Africa and Poland, uranium from Namibia and Australia. OPEC's producer power wrecked industrial economies worldwide. That makes the Third World significant.

Anarchists should realise the significance of Third World liberation struggles. Most dismissed aboriginal land rights as a hippy irrelevance during the 1984 Miners Strike, yet if BP had been prevented from mining uranium at Roxby Downs not only would the NCB's position have been weakened but the Bomb programme undermined too. The same holds true of SWAPO's struggle against Apartheid imperialism in Namibia. Similarly, the women of Belau are a greater threat to the US State than their sisters at Greenham: if the Compact of Free Association is successfully resisted, they could lose the strategic bases and resources of the Pacific.

HOW INDUSTRY EXPLOITS THE THIRD WORLD

The State is not stupid. It knows its power comes from controlling Third World resources as much as its own

THE HILLS



production. To keep resources and energy coming in the State either invades, supports and supplies arms to lackey compradore governments, or controls Third World economies through the 'stick and carrot' of the Debt and aid.

The only reason the World Bank, IMF and multinationals put money in the Third World is because they know they can get more out. They will get mines and cash crop plantations opened up as they need the minerals and food production much more than people living in the country where they are produced. These countries have to sell their resources at unfair rates of exchange set by the international banking system driving them into economic dependency and debt and getting nothing out of it themselves. No wonder the banks and factories of Lima are fortified and under armed guard: the Maoist Sendero Luminoso ('Shining Path') guerrillas know they are actually taking money out of Peru!

It has been suggested that working class overthrow of capitalism in the industrialised world could help the Third World. Unfortunately the problem is not that industry is controlled by capitalists, but that it exists at all. As long as industry needed energy and raw materials, Third World economies would have to remain geared towards supplying them. Bolivian tin miners would still die aged thirty, Eritreans would still starve growing coffee for export, and the people of Amazonia and South East Asia would still be driven off their land by cattle-ranchers, prospectors and logging concerns. The new anarchist society might have to back compradore regimes to keep industry fed! Otherwise their economy would collapse and their living standards with it.

THE REVOLUTION IN THE THIRD WORLD

The industrialised world has everything to gain from Third World dependency: they have nothing to lose from independence. So what if they don't get any more aid or totally inappropriate technology that benefits industrial states

more than Third World countries they supply!

The revolution has begun. Mexico defaulted on the Debt others will too. Barclays Bank was in the red last year despite record takings because contingency funds were set up in case of default. Other banks are doing this too. If one big country like Brazil defaults, the international banking system will crash.

Many compradore regimes turn on their own people rather than default. Guerrilla movements work to topple them. All want land reform. Sendero Luminoso control Peru's countryside: the peasants feed themselves rather than the cities, who only make the rich world richer. In Uganda and Eritrea cash crops are torn up so their own food can be grown instead. In Indonesia and Sarawak tribesmen use spear and blowpipe rather than lose their lands and starve.

When the people feed themselves, the industrial world's economic sanctions are useless. As there is no need to export resources, it will be industry that starves. How can the industrialised world hit back with no fuel for its bombers, how can it work at all without selenium for its microchips?



THE REVOLUTIONARY DESTRUCTION OF INDUSTRY

As Third World economic independence grows, so will shortages in the industrialised world. As living standards fall, so will the States ability to control us. Without work or consumer goods to distract them, the workers will riot and loot the cities. The State will have enough trouble staying on top there: they won't have enough resources to fight a protracted guerrilla war in the countryside too. Those fleeing the cities will take back the land to feed themselves and establish 'no go' areas as sanctuaries against the State.

If it is working now in the Third World, why not in 'this green and pleasant land' in future?

P. N. Rogers.



Members of the Free Papua Movement (OPM) near Wissel Lakes. Tribal Papuans are engaged in an unequal struggle with the Indonesian security forces in defence of their lands and their right to self-determination.

THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

M X CAMPBELL is a member of the Rainbow Tribe, currently doing life in Farmington. He is working with the IWW to organize a union inside. Ironeyes, his cellmate and AIM activist, is teaching him the Sioux religion.



A. I. M. WAS FOUNDED in 1968 by Dennis Banks, George Mitchell (both Chippewas), Clyde Bellecourt and Sioux, Russell Means, who became spokesmen for the Native American people. AIM more than any other group is responsible for the upsurge in direct action in the late 1960's and early 1970's by occupying federal land stolen from Native Americans to dramatize their fight for self-determination. They continue today defending their people against the US government's policy of systematic genocide. The takeover of Alcatraz in 1969 called worldwide attention to the government's continuing war against Native American people. It ended in 1971 when heavily armed federal marshalls attacked Alcatraz. AIM also occupied the Federal Building in Littleton, Colorado; Fort Lawton in Washington State; Mt. Rushmore where US presidents have been carved into a mountain in the sacred Black Hills; Ellis Island, New York City; and the coast guard station on Lake Michigan. Another important action was the Trail of Broken Treaties Caravan in 1972 when AIM put forward a 20-point position paper and then marched on Washington DC, siezing control of the Bureau of Indian Affairs offices and destroying their files.

In 1973 AIM activists and 200 armed Oglala warriors siezed control of Wounded Knee where 350 men, women and children were massacred by the 7th Cavalry in 1890. A siege that lasted 71 days with Oglala warriors battling federal marshalls from roadblocks and barricades ensued. Two Oglalas, Frank Clearwater and Buddy Lamont, were killed and one US marshall wounded. Anna Mae Aquash was executed by a bullet in the head by the FBI in 1976 for running food and medical supplies to the warriors while under fire. They were gaoled for their activities. The AIM activists were also indicted but their cases dismissed on grounds of prosecution misconduct.

In 1975 another shootout developed at the Pine Ridge Reservation that left two FBI agents dead. The US government railroaded AIM activist Leonard Peltier who in 1976 was sentenced to two life sentences. The government case against Peltier stands on ballistics although his weapon didn't match the one used in the killings. The government forced several people to lie on the witness stand. Joe Stunz, who took the stand against Peltier, was later executed by AIM for his betrayal. Leonard Peltier is clearly a political prisoner. In 1987 the Supreme Court denied him a new trial even after stating the evidence

against him was government fairy tales. World outrage over the treatment of Leonard Peltier continues to grow. A demonstration by AIM at the Custer County Court House led to the convictions in 1975 of Dennis Banks and Russell Means for assault and rioting. Both Banks and Means had to go underground. Police stopped Banks and others and claimed to have found eight guns and dynamite in their car. The trial is still in process after 13 years. Banks again went underground and surfaced in 1978 in California where then-Governor Jerry Brown gave him sanctuary. Banks stayed until 1983 when Brown was replaced by a Right-wing reactionary in Reagan's mould. He then asked for sanctuary from the Onondaga of New York State. The liberal governor refused to support Banks but agreed not to move against him whilst on the Onondaga Reservation. In 1984 he surrendered and was sentenced to three years in prison as Russell Means was four years earlier.

In 1986 AIM settled a long-standing dispute between the Navajo (Dineh) and Hopi over Big Mountain which is sacred to both tribes. The US government and two corporations, Kerr-Magee and Peabody Holding Company, moved in to sieze Big Mountain for its uranium deposits in violation of treaties. AIM are resisting forced relocation of the tribes. The government is forcing the Dineh to move from Hopi partitioned lands to an area only capable of supporting 20% of them. The water supply is contaminated by uranium tailings. Peabody Holding Company is heavily involved in mining. Radioactive materials are used not once but again by Kerr-Magee. This corporation is disposing its nuclear waste by shipping raffinate hay to the Dineh people. Raffinate hay is treated nuclear waste that Kerr-Magee say is "wonderful fertilizer". The Navajo Tribal Council accepted one shipment and now have been warned by AIM that raffinate hay is deadly. Another government tactic is their subtle 'constructive relocation' by water diversion projects, regulations ordering 90% livestock destruction and fencing off grazing ranges. The government is also denying young women the traditional right to establish their own families on their mothers ancestral lands. In 1982 eleven homes were bulldozed.

With all the US posturing on human rights the US government is using the same tactics the Nazi's used against the Jews, South Africa against the Blacks, Israel against Palestinians and the Soviets against their own people. The US government uses their military, their media, their nuclear poisons and their corporate masters against a society of people so advanced that they lived in perfect harmony with the land and without a central government, people who were once totally free. The Native American people have no defence, the government courts won't protect them, the worker is fed lies and doesn't understand their troubles, corpor-



ations swooping like vultures to steal the last of their lands, the government murdering them as they always have. . . . The Native Americans have no defence . . . except the American Indian Movement.

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CONTACT: M X Campbell, 1C15, FCC, 1012 W. Columbia, Farmington, Missouri, USA 63640 for details of his current situation. Letters from prisoners especially welcome as Mike is setting up a prison news service.

M X CAMPBELL

SO WHAT DO WE DO ?



BLIND ANGER, whilst the State is strong, will be clobbered. So our best tactics are those which weaken the State using subversive, sustainable means.

Let us save the punching and kicking till it is really needed and is effective; instead we can strive to side-track and ignore the State structures which get up our noses.

The theory of Revolution on the Periphery predicts the 'real' battle will start in the hills of the 3rd World. Only when a return to resource/wealth production comes from our own localities (by tilling our fields) will violence then be useful and necessary in the fight.

Anything which drains the State of resources can only be a plus eg. claiming lots of benefits (people have used bogus ID's) and grants or slowing beauracratc procedures such as the judicial system by written complaints (they take up hours of police time) to them and to companies (forget the postcode and stamp. . . ?).

On the other side, try not working for wages, not paying poll tax, income tax, VAT etc.; not donating to 3rd World 'aid'. If you shoplift, give to the less able as otherwise you will be indirectly making their lives more expensive.

Try reducing consumption which involves money or trade especially via large, distant corporations and take food, clothes etc from informal (black) market eg. jumble sales. If you must pay for consumer goods that you decide to keep in your life eg. disposable nappies, alcohol; remember your consumer choice. A leather shoe 'grown and made in Wales could be better for you and the world than cotton/rubber ones made in 3rd World sweat shops.

In West Germany and the USA, people have had success with economic sabotage on power lines from nuclear power stations and on contractors who supply labour and equipment to defence establishments. Over here people are using Non-Violent Direct Action just for publicity. The real change happens elsewhere. Underground

activity is increasingly being used simply to save our ecological systems from erosion and pollution.

By establishing small communities within cities or preferably in villages in the country, our reliance on (electrical) energy, roads, telephones and TV are reduced and it becomes apparent that these structures are there only to help the few exploit the many more effectively.

Care for others is much better done by mutual aid eg. Grandma knits a jumper, you take her to the shops; than by donating to a charity.

Most ailments in our lives are related to our mass way of living especially stress which personal contact alleviates (so let's increase the latter!) and hence reduce the need for transport, public or private.

We can educate ourselves and generations to come, not from inappropriate knowledge from those who wish to control our thoughts, but by people we know and trust eg. Travelling Skool, parents teach their kids, educational camps.

Let us reoccupy the hills with housing co-ops, claim unused land and aim for more self-empowerment eg. allotments, gathering wild foods. Inner-city squatting will be very important as the State weakens, whilst at present it is crushed very easily. By increasing our means of self-defence the less excuse we have for an autonomous law and order agency; people in small villages leave their doors open because there is trust and sharing in small communities.

Alternative networks/communications are useful but not essential as we become more 'parochial'; the need for communication devices such as telephones, computers and pirate radios will be overcome; although at present they help us fight the State which uses them to control us.

Perhaps most subversive of all, let us wear unrespectability with pride. Without recognizing any label we can establish ourselves through many social identities. Our optimism is shown in clothes which can adapt ourselves from 2nd hand sources. We have dances, festivals, educational camps, magazines, comics, ritual ceremonies, even our own videos and computer software; all these are what makes us more progressive from those who just gripe and criticize. Our anger is shown by our outgoing, alternative structures, not dour blackness.

So, lets get out and walk tall!

Speed.

No cakes for Alfred.



KING ALFRED awoke on a grey chill English morning before dawn with a gnawing at his belly: he hadn't eaten the night before and the mist made his arthritis clamp his bones. As usual his wife wasn't beside him, she was in fact lying amongst a rabble of knights who after a keg of ale had gang banged her, which though repelled her was better than nothing.

Realizing that soon he must feed his men otherwise they may turn nasty, Alfred called a meeting. They sat on the

floor in a circle in natural unity discussing their immediate needs.

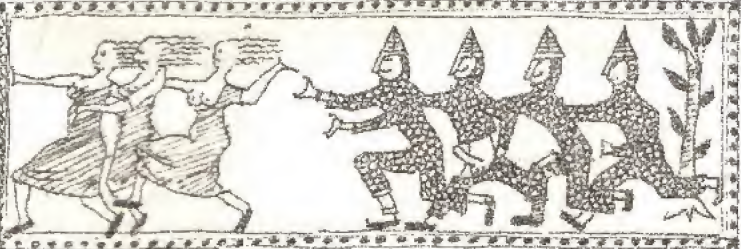
They pooled their resources. "What would they do?" Make things? Grow food? Hunt? Gather? Sew? Cook? Nothing, they were useless and knew it. Sensing despair the Kings favourite knight, Lancelot, took control of the situation. He was the strongest and the most clever, giving him divine inspiration for leadership.



Without speaking they looked into each others eyes knowing what they must do. Alfred looked away, once again closing his mind and drifting into dreams where he was welcomed by the peasants who shared their meagre fare with him.

Later the knights sat on their horses overlooking a

settlement which was welcoming a new dawn. Smoke rose from the fire in a thin whisp. Their eyes fixed on a single barn which they knew contained the entire wealth of the community. Crops which would keep 20 people alive for a winter until the berries and fruit again arrived.

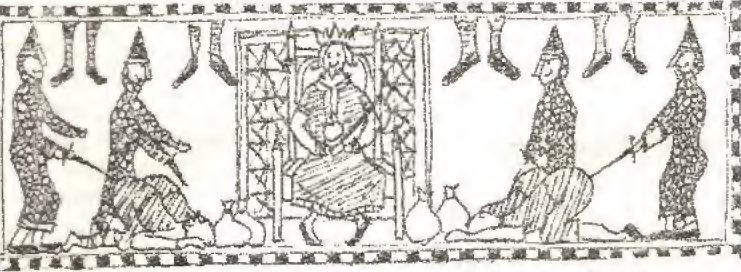


The knights in one action lowered their visors, giving them maximum anonymity and felt the weight of an array of weaponry designed only for use against fellow humans. Satisfied they silently rode down the hill.

Gaping as his head was cut off John stood momentarily, then fell. Others screamed and ran confusedly bumping into one another in an attempt at escape and a pathetic

gathering of the young. The excitement spurred the knights to greater atrocities. Suprisingly the older ones inciting the hesitant youth.

Then came the rape, ragged though the women were they seemed more assertive than the men and afterwards their eyes still held a steel defiance which chilled the knights who had slaked their thirst and now witnessed the new day, pleased that God was with them.



By now word was spreading that danger lurked close by and folk lay afraid in their beds. Sensing retribution the knights recruited willing monks to write notices to be pinned in local places denouncing foreign spies and traitors who wanted to destroy Albion. Peasants gaped astonished and felt guilty, perhaps it was them. Many recounted sins recently perpetrated; like Peter who had recently made love to his wife's sister. And Gregory who had killed a hog in the forest and roasted it taking 3 days to eventually consume it to the white bones.

Alfred, at Lancelots request, asked the peasants to redeem themselves by sending donations which would be utilised for the good of the nation. Making it even easier, a knight would collect the tokens.

A grateful nation felt better for the opportunity to express it's love for law and order. Every so often the odd criminal was hanged to reinforce these values held so dear in this great land of free speech.

J. C. H.

IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF LEFT OR RIGHT BUT...

....centralist or decentralist

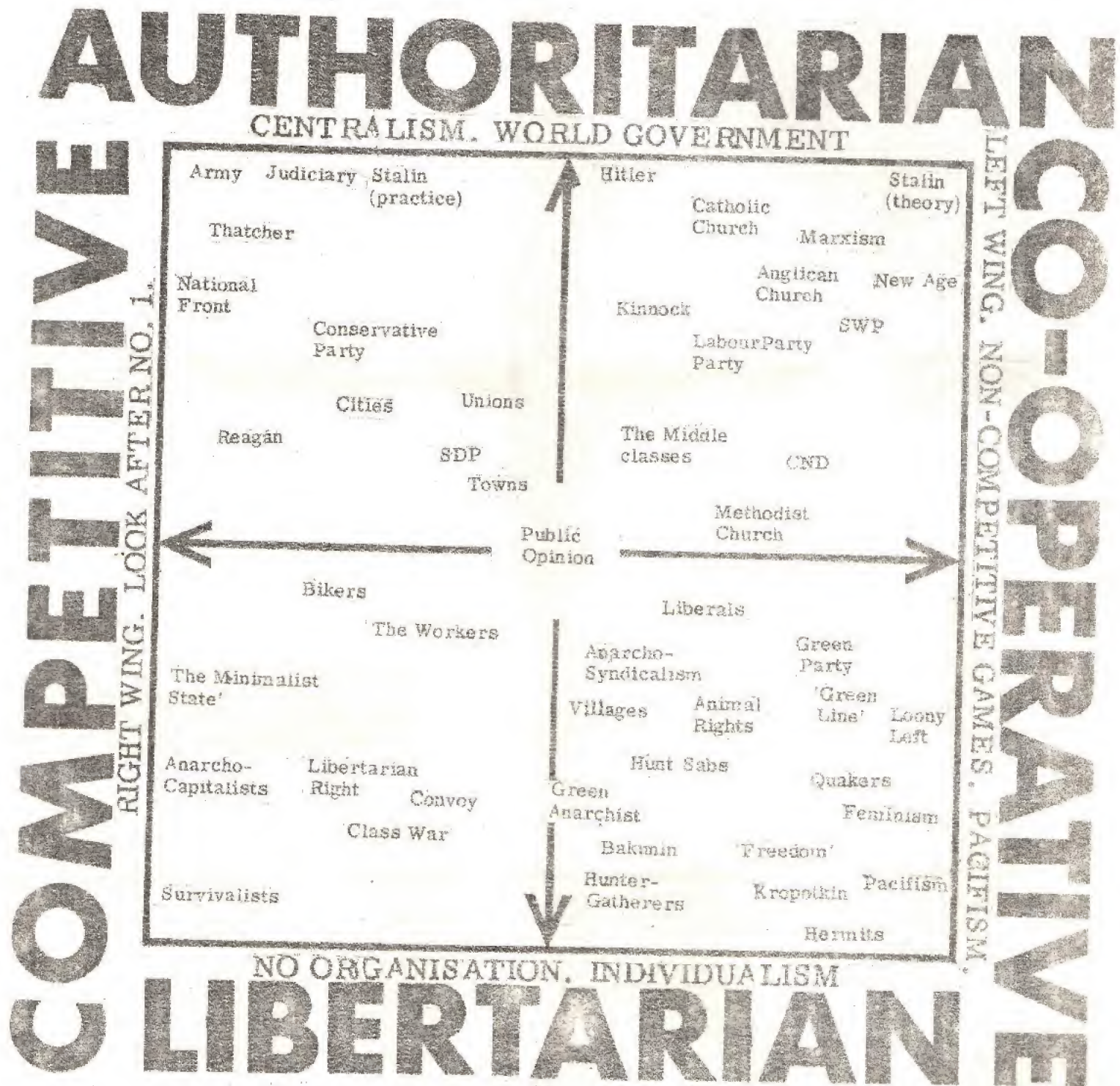
The battle will be fought between the left with the right of the grassroots against the left with the right of the Establishment. We must not alienate the right with some of the nuttier ideas of the left. That does not mean we have to embrace the NF to our bosoms. We don't want the nutty left. We don't want the nutty right either. So don't jump on every socialist or loony left bandwagon. It is sometimes not appropriate.

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Anarchists cannot get up and shout to oppose cuts in

the government Health Service. Anarchists cannot approve of a government anything. Given the brainwashing of education, we should welcome cuts in government education spending and work out anarchist ways of 'education'. Women are exploited, but the present feminist critique might not be correct. It might not be a problem of hierarchy but obedience to hierarchy.

The media and government have made it an issue of left and right. That splits the opposition. The issue should be government, left and right, or no government.



GREEN ANARCHISM: U.S. STYLE



Although there are many theories on how land should be farmed, it is obvious that local self-determination must be upheld. Nobody knows the land better than those who work it, for they are bound to it. Having agribusiness investors or state economic planners dictate policy for these local villages, while being totally dissociated from the history, culture, and life-process of that village, is an exercise in futility and an invitation to disaster. Economists have a strong tendency to reduce people to numbers, stressing production levels instead of local autonomy and self-sufficiency. The people must be allowed to organise for their own future.

Therefore, cash crops will be subordinated to food crops. If the people of the Third World want only to grow enough food to feed only themselves, so be it. This will provide the impetus for us living in the "richer" countries to become more more self-reliant. Have you ever wondered why we have such a "service" orientated economy?

As citizens of the richest nation in the world, we have to start assuming some sort of responsibility for the pampered lifestyles we have led in the past. We have to recognise that our history has been built with the sweat and blood of those unfortunate enough to have been born in the Third World. While you are not directly responsible for the way in which your parents, and their parents before them, have chosen to live, you are responsible for the life you continue to lead and the role you continue to play in this international division of labor.

Where does the green revolution begin? It begins with all of us all over the world. Whether it starts here in the industrialised First World or in the "backwoods" Third World, it is apparent that our action must be cooperative. As the oppressed peoples of the "starving" nations continue to fight for true independence and real self-determination, we must simultaneously fight for greater self-sufficiency and autonomy here in our own country. It is not the "foreigners" who have stolen our jobs. It is the upper echelon, or "elite", of corporate investors, bankers, and the lot who have uprooted communities here and moved their projects to the "underdeveloped" countries in order to reap the benefits of "cheap labor" abroad. Through organised strength and economic pressure, eg. boycotts, strikes, damage to property, etc., we will force these exploiters to recognise our sovereignty as well as the sovereignty of those in the "poorer" countries.

Forward with the Green Revolution,
both here and in the Third World!

Jon Ewing.

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ANY REAL REVOLUTION has to be based on the land. Historically, the majority of social revolutions have either started in rural areas or at least had the broad support of those living in such areas, eg. Russia, China, Mozambique, Angola, Nicaragua, etc. And the land question has been a major priority in the revolutions of South-East Asia, Cuba, Ethiopia, etc. These are two matters to settle in the future fight for the land: (1) how the land will be farmed; (2) what will the land be used for.

CYCLING CLOCKWISE ROUND BARNET.

Barnet Borough has fashioned a generous cycle-route which starts from Apex Corner Edgware, follows the to Bignell's Corner and involves also a clockwise or anti-clockwise circuit of Stirling Corner. Names like Scratchwood, Woodcock Hill, South Mimms and 'Harrfordshire villages' (two poodle farms and a pub) lend an exciting promise to your ride. In addition, 'Signs for cyclists' shows the bureaucratic mind at its most Pseudo

Corner-ish and out of touch with the fact that the sort of people who ride bikes, by and large, have been around long before the local Boroughs started organizing them, and devised their own routes which bear little resemblance to whatever fantasy exists at Town Hall of neat little two wheel people scooting obediently down the side of the horrendous A1 gulping in mouthfuls of poisonous fumes and waiting at red lights with the cars for more of

same.

No cyclists along I suppose with travellers, walkers, roller skaters etc, are too flexible to be organized: we have to create our own itineraries. My own individual cycle-track evolves and mutates according to whatever I encounter. If I'm on the pavement in our road I give a very wide berth to a certain pair of old ladies bent double in their Carmen Miranda hats, while giving them a civil "Good day", while any large males striding arms aldimbo down the path I ride straight at (shame on me!) - they

always jump out of the way at the last minute.

With dustbin men, with their "Oy! Lucky Saddle!" I can't help but laugh, but most of my journey is a kind of meditation; an attempt to philosophise on a very bad situation

So I don't think I'll go clockwise or anti-clockwise round Stirling Corner. I'll just practice anarchy here in Finchley, and dream about my mountain bike - but that's another story!

Karen Noble.

PAGAN RITUALS

1940's: Dusk falls on the New Forrest. In a clearing people gather, some talking excitedly to old friends, some building a huge bonfire, some silently gazing into the flames, others with song, flute and drum. All the time more arrive. From all points of the compass come the Witches of Britain. Soon they will join hands and go round the flames, banishing the danger that threatens the land 'you cannot come here. You will not come here'. Their energies will join and be a shield around Britain the third Reich cannot break through.

1987: A great human circle forms round Stonehenge as the sun rises higher and morning mists clear. No one as we circle round, then the circle breaks, becomes a dragon curving in and out of the stones, spiralling inwards. The music begins. We are celebrating, the longest day has come round again and we are all here drawing strength and courage to face winter, darkness and discouragement, from nature's eternal renewal.

A third scene, a C. N. D. march to Hyde Park. Spirits rose high, as with song and chants a sea of people moved forward as one. Getting there many felt disappointment, formed into rows in front of a stage on which politicians advanced to prove street cred by telling us what we knew well to rapturous applause. All we could do to blot out the emptiness was find some friends and a neighbouring pub. All the energy we'd raised seem to dissipate with nowhere particularly to go.

Among Pagans, some (called Witches) have learned and passed on techniques for raising and directing human energies for effecting change, and since activists already raise energy, these principles may well be found useful. But first an explanation of how magic works. To understand it is best to block out the distractions of modern technology which may be standing between you and the elements, to mentally place yourself beside a warm fire, where instead of clicks, whizzes and hums of electricity, the wind and small woodland creatures make the only sound.

The human will is a great power for change. No fitness or training will help the athlete who lacks the will to win; no treatment or nursing will help the patient who lacks the will to live. However, 'if wishes were horses, beggars would ride'. A wish, however passionate, is not will: the whole personality, intellect, emotion, imagination, body, sub-conscious, must be directed to desired end. This is done by the use of symbols - we choose a symbolic action, do it and believe in it with all our hearts. The sceptical, quest-

-ioning intelligence is an important human attribute and the idea is not to banish it from our lives - just suspend it during an act of magic. Just as we cannot at the same time make love and solve some difficult question on philosophy, as we cannot study well while distracted by loud music lust or hunger. Science - rational enquiry and experiment - when used correctly is useful. Science cannot prove the power of magic, nor can it re-create the force of life, nor explain the origins of our world.

When several people direct their wills to the same end, their power is not added but multiplied. Not all magicians are Pagans. But (as Pagans who work magic) witches consider magical power comes not just from, but also through us, that we are part of the whole, able to channel natural energies, the cycle of the seasons, forces of growth and death, the natural

A request to industrial hominids from a country cousin--



change of one thing to another. 'God and Goddess' are names for these forces and for the individuals who are open to them and do their work.

(1) Plan it: Here intellect plays its part. Your purpose may be to save life, human animal or plant, to heal illness, cleanse pollution, or remove the threat of dangerous menaces. Discuss it together. Is it what nature wants? What side effects can be expected- are they what Nature wants? (Not every illness can be healed- death is also part of nature) Never use magic to hurt another creature. Not only is it an abuse of power and an insult to the God and Goddess, it lessens your personal wholeness and health to direct hostile energy to another, however deserving. Your enemy has won, when he possesses your mind and energy- you are playing on his stage. Better to turn from him and aim at the positive result you want. Do not brainwash- ie, use magic to influence another's actions by controlling their free will, which is as precious as your own. Very important- be honest with yourself. Are you really working for something quite different from your expressed intent? Choose the most appropriate symbolic time and place for your action. The time to work for growth and positive change starts at New Moon and peaks at full moon, and the rest of the month is for banishing evils. (A lot more could be written about suitable times) Choose your symbols: The ancient symbols our ancestors used often have much power, because so many have believed in them, and books about ancients and their customs may help, but then, symbols out of your own head can be just as good. Put your aim into words, as shortly as possible. Eg. if the purpose is hunt sabotage, 'not catch the fox' may seem a good idea, but you won't want to achieve this by having hounds squashed by a lorry or train! 'No blood shed' would be better.

(2) Draw a circle - to concentrate the energy. A good way is to join hands and feel energy passing up and around the circle from the Earth. See it like a circle of light. Make it real. Drive out all evil, doubts, fear, malice,

welcome in all good influences.

(3) Raising and discharging energy: Either now or when the energy is discharged, perform the chosen action- lighting a fire, planting seeds, &c. Visualise the desired end clearly. Dancing and chants raise energy. It rises to a peak and is then fired off to achieve the purpose.

(4) Earthing: - Its important to lose any surplus energy or it will hang round and disturb your everyday life. A good idea is to touch Earth. Witches at this stage usually relax and enjoy some refreshment. The circle remains in existence until it is returned to the Earth, at the end of the 'working'. God and Goddess should be thanked. Clockwise for making the energy and circle, anti-clockwise for winding down the last and vital part of the spell.

(5) Action: - Do not think protecting your house with magical is a substitute for locking the door. Don't think much about the spell or wonder if it will work, just confidently do all you can to achieve the end, like the Rainbow Warriors of Hopi prophecy who 'put their faith in deeds not words' to make the Earth green again.

In these times, nobody can be at one with Nature without feeling her pain, without working to heal and protect her, with all that is in that person's power. There will be disillusion, spells will fail, because it has taken humans much time and effort to get the world in such a state. It will take us a long time, much effort and disappointment to restore the balance. But from Nature's amazing resilience and annual self-renewal Rainbow Warriors take hope and courage.

Western 'civilisation' is an illusory escape from reality - what you sow you reap. Pagans who read it, talk it, use divination, chase spirits, dance in woods and do nothing are also escapists. They think they are at one with nature.

Christina.

She's turning green with profit.

Using the environment to push nuclear power.

Our glorious leader Thatcher has turned green? She at last joins the media hype campaign led by his royal burk Prince Charles who first spoke out against the greenhouse effect and acid rain. Does this mean the end of international capitalism of both East and West varieties? Is the capitalist protagonist at last facing up to its dirty filthy reality? Or is it merely internal 'pussyfoot' politicking? The strength of argument in the environmental case is now recognised by all factions of society. The massive public concern for all things environmental is the overwhelming mood of the moment. It is therefore only generic that the system capitalises upon this mood.

Why should the system push the case for the greenhouse effect and acid rain? The answer is simple. Both these observations are directly connected with fossil fuels. The burning of coal etc is environmentally bad. Get it! We need an alternative. Enter onto the scene our dear old friendly scientists again with a magic formula in a little brown bottle with a skull and cross-bones on it. Get it! The skull and cross bones is 'NUCLEAR' and the magic formula is 'ENERGY'. You've got it. Discredit the fossil fuel industry because we have a nuclear alternative and

remember nuclear energy is scientifically safe. That is we choose not to listen to masses of independently compiled information. We choose to forget Chernobyl, Windscale, Three Mile Island, Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Because we choose to control the school of science solely upon our terms that is couched in numerical mumbo jumbo. Or simply profit!

You see my environmentalists, you dear fellows, our problem is that we have hypnotised ourselves with another socially constructed thing called economics which is another way of saying money. The pound, the dollar, cash, power and access to all things material that we define as good. Materially inclined as we are we create monetarist systems to play out our fantasies in which we are king, lord, business manager and you are serf, slave and worker. Hypnotised by the game we are divorced from the planet, separated and set in opposition to it. Defined as a resource or as an apple that us ants are devouring. Nuclear energy is more profitable than fossil fuels for the few so having already constructed the guidelines for debate we merely tamper with the internal arguments or mechanics in order to stren-

given our machine. You worker, hippy, punk, are to be our oil. Our human resource. Unfortunately that met co-operational problems with the advent of the movement known as unionism. Nuclear power moves around this problem by using fewer uncooperative defected units (workers).

Meanwhile another public enquiry opens in Somerset to debate the case of Hinkley C but the evidence we shall listen to is not Cancer and Leukemia death rates around nuclear installations. Not lack of safe disposal methods or facilities for waste. Not the economic absurdity of it all. Not the production of plutonium for use in weapons aspect of it. Not the international consequences of accidents but instead we shall in advance pre-censor what evidence we shall listen to. For the truth is this public enquiry is merely jargon which stands for public relation exercise to allay your fears.

In a sane society run by sane people we would now have learnt from our historical mistakes and that

Nuclear incidents or installations (one and the same thing) are threatening the core of existence. That our actions cannot be separate from the earth as science dutifully claims. And that we do have alternatives, solar, tidal and wind energy, if we can only envisage futures built on different scales and principles. Instead of talking of windfarms to replace power stations and keeping the consumer/board relationship and therefore profit, exploitation, and energy poverty. We should be envisaging windstacks that will replace the family chimney stack and producing energy for single houses. The dirty man of Europe. We have the technology to rebuild him. But unfortunately not the social system.

Footnote: The greenhouse effect and acid rain are real issues that the Government gives token support to. This article is not about the lack of real support it gives to those concerns but instead incorporates a reason why they give token support.

Clive Allsopp.

AN INTERVIEW WITH 'CULTURE SHOCK'.

'Lots of smiling faces! That's what 'Culture Shock' hopes to see at their gigs. And they see them.

When they started in 1986 two of them, Dick and

MUSIC.

Trotsky, were from the 'Subhumans' and brought with them some of that bands following. Their act may be described as a mixture of high energy Punk and mellow Hippy.

Culture Shock have a significant following among travelling people who come from all parts to catch their act.

The band is based at Warminster, Wiltshire, and the line up is Bill, drums; Paul, bass; Nig, guitar and Dick, vocals. Dick also writes the lyrics. Their life/style is "semi-anarchic", they are all vegans or vegetarian. The bands average age is 26, and they are unemployed/self-employed. Their latest album is called 'Outwards and Outwards', £4 at the gig or by mail order etc.

Culture Shock describe their music as "positive bounce", post punk-ska-reggae-junk/funk. There is some debate amongst the group on whether their music is "drug crazed or mellow hippy". Although they sing of Northern Ireland and capitalism, their songs are not really political. They are about people, about people relating to people. Their emphasis is on the spiritual, on expressing emotions. They see the world's problems deriving from the individual rather than the institutions.

Their political views are fairly conventional alternative - big coming issues would be the poll tax and student loans.

They're an odd mixture of optimism and pessimism, an upbeat approach to today but nervous about the future.

They don't like to call themselves anarchists. It involves too much hassle between the various splinters.

About the present musical scene they thought Acid House was important - but it would probably burn itself out, if it wasn't suppressed first. And they didn't seem to think it would affect their own music much. But the 'enjoy yourself, get on with each other' is good and not the romantic stuff.

And is there a trend in their own music? Not in the short term. But they feel they are part of the coming together of punk and hippy which they recognise in their audience.

And the most important thing? Discovering the essential true spirit within each of us. And thinking before we act. What shines through is their enthusiasm, their energy, their positive approach, and "lots of smiling faces".

PSYCHO-SIN MINI-LP: FORWARD TO THE CAVES

It's great to see an Amerikan band totally attack Uncle Sam and his Rockerfellian capitalism. Here we have 12 trax of what can be called extreme-noise thrashcore, with lyrics like "My countries Full of Shit, They Don't Give You Apple Pie, Just a Machine Gun..." it sure is a winner. Only this band could deface nationalism on Independence Day, and dress up in North American Indian regalia and defy fascists outside the club! Write to: Carl Casanova, 171 3rd Street, Jersey City, NJ 07302, USA.

SORE THROAT EP

This band are totally dedicated to resistance to authoritarianism, and also against the people who make money out of Hardcore Punk (Hello Earache and Roadrunner), and for this I truly respect them. Onto the blasts of noise, we have er umm over 40 trax on an EP! Trax like ICI-FOAD and Environmental Suicide are bound to be appreciated by fellow green-minded people, no matter how cacaphonic they are. If you want to listen to downright noise-thrash then pick this EP up. Write to: Nick Royles, 165 Lightridge Road, Fixby, Huddersfield, W. Yorkshire HD2 2HS.

GIBBY



AN ANARCHIST CLASSIC BY: ROCKER

A major advocate of anarcho-syndicalism.

Rudolf Rocker was born in Mainz, South Germany in 1873. His mother, to whom he felt close, came from an old burger family. Orphaned at the age of ten he spent his boyhood in a catholic orphanage. His early development was strongly influenced by his uncle, Rudolff Naumann who introduced him to the Socialist Movement and to serious study. He was apprenticed to a bookbinder, and following the German custom travelled, as did Johann Most, through several countries in his early youth. Out of these contacts he was drawn towards anarchism and to the romantic movement. He was critic of the rigidities and dogmatism of the German Social democratic movement. In 1893 he left Germany and settled in Paris. Two years later he moved to London, and there he remained until the end of the First World War, some 20 years later. Although of a Christian background he soon became closely identified with the Jewish immigrant workers of the London east end. He went to live among them and learned there Yiddish language. He edited a Yiddish Newspaper "Arbeiter Freund" (Workers Friend) and a literary monthly journal "Germinal", and became actively involved in the Jewish labour unions. His life and influence during this period have been described by William Fishman, himself an east-ender, who portrays Rocker as an "anarchist missionary to the Jews". Rocker himself described them as the best years of his life.

In 1914 Rocker, and his companion Millie Witkop, were interned as enemy aliens. On their release at the end of the war Rocker returned to Germany. In 1924 he published a biography of Most, and continued to be actively involved in the anarchist movement. With the rise of fascism, Rocker fled Germany leaving behind most of his belongings, including his large library. He settled in Crampond, New-York, and in 1937 published a major study "Nationalism and Culture". It is a book that is little mentioned nowadays, but when it came out it was greeted with much acclaim by such people as Einstein and Bertrand Russell. It is an encyclopaedic work, tracing development of culture and nationalism from the dawn of history. Scholarly in scope it is infused with acritical spirit and contains an inconsistent indictment of the state and all forms of authority. Rocker died in 1958 aged 85, apparently more reformist in outlook and surrounded by wealthy sycophants.

Rocker's essay "Anarchism and Anarcho-Syndicalism", first published in 1960 is a lucid outline and introduction to anarchism. It has been described as a classic. Noting that anarchist ideas are to be found in almost every period of history, and briefly outlining the history of anarchist philosophy from Lao-tze to Tolstoy - the discussion focussing on the triumvirate of Proudon, Bakunin and Kropotkin - Rocker defines anarchism as an intellectual current of social thought. It is a philosophy, he writes, that advocates both the abolition of economic monopoly and of all coercive and political institutions. It advocates a free association of all productive forces based on productive labour, and a federation of free communities bound together by common interests.

Anarchism he argues is the confluence of two great currents of thought both stemming from the French revolution - liberalism and socialism. Liberalism involved the idea of equality of all citizens before the law and the idea that an individual has rights of his own person. With liberalism came the idea of limiting government functions to a minimum. He stresses that under modern capitalism

these might remain merely a "pious fraud". On the other hand socialism involved the idea that conditions of social injustice only became feasible if economic monopolies are eliminated, and the means of production are common property. Taken together this implies, Rocker argues, that anarchism involves a 'dual struggle' - against capitalism and private property and against all coercive institutions of political power. Following Bakunin, Rocker offers a critique of state socialism, suggesting that the state is not simply a reflection of economic power, that culture and creativity flourish when the power of the state is limited, and that power always has negative effects on human life, inducing uniformity, dogma, and rigidity, as well as being oppressive. Thus Rocker advocates communist anarchism, the kind of anarchism suggested by Kropotkin, Reclus, and Berkman. He presents a dual opposition - towards the power of the state and economic monopoly, both of which he felt had now reached their limit under monopoly capitalism and fascism.

Turning to anarcho-syndicalism, Rocker suggests that it had its origins in the first International, particularly in the writings of Eugene Huns and Bakunin. In contrast to the followers of Blanqui who advocated a socialist dictatorship and the followers of Lassalle who wanted the workers to form a political party, the anarcho-syndicalists stressed the importance of trade unions. But these were seen as having an essentially a dual function: on the one hand safeguarding the rights and standard of living of the workers; on the other, preparing the workers themselves for the take-over of production, for self management. Thus the economic associations of the workers were necessary not only in the context of present society, but because they were regarded as the social nucleus of a coming socialist economy. As Lauder had stressed the importance of agrarian communes as a precursor of the future society, so the anarcho-syndicalists stressed the importance of trade unions and workers councils. Through direct action and economic struggle, and not through party politics, Rocker felt, workers would achieve their aims - socialism.

Brian Morris.



READINGS.

The two main texts mentioned are still in print, although most of Rocker's work is difficult to find, or has not been translated into English.

Rudolf Rocker

Anarchism and Anarcho-Syndicalism.

London Freedom Press 1973

Rudolf Rocker

Nationalism and Culture.

St Paul Minnesota, Coughlin 1978.

A good account of Rocker's London years is given in:

William J Fishman

East End Jewish Radicals 1875-1914.

London, Duckworth 1975

LETTERS

Class War successes.

Dear Green Anarchist,

I read with interest on London Class War's decision to stand in the Kensington bye-election. I would say that this was a bad mistake (and an expensive one at that) but despite how wrong this thing was at least they tried something other than the normal anarchist's way of doing things. Many non-anarchist working class people think of anarchists as cloaked bomb throwers, and the class war fed's thinking of trying to reach non-anarchists is 100% spot on. After all a revolution would not be one by anarchists and anarchists alone. From what I know of anarchist history in Britain (and I don't know too much as I'm only 17) I would say there has never been a viable anarchist movement, but I know there has been a lot of radical working class movements like the Luddites for example, I would say the vast majority of Class War Fed members are anarchists but never-the-less Class War still has a lot of support from working class non-anarchists, and it would be true to say that the Class War paper appeals more to non-anarchists, than say Virus or Direct Action. It is just as much a mistake to assume that after the revolution everyone would go to live in tipis etc. If class struggle anarchism is taken to grass roots level, many, many people realise that it makes sense and soon develop their own variations of politics, whether class war green anarchism or whatever. To further the revelation we have to take our politics into youth clubs, community groups, housing groups, strike support groups and many other working class areas, not just Stonehenge, festivals etc.

Sorry to drone on.

I am in class war and I am an anarchist.

Dane M of Manchester CW.

Dear Green Anarchist,

Though personally disagreeing with many a Class War tactic, Richard Hunt's article 'Class War in Bye-Election' exuded more than a simple hint of aversity but also a good deal of jealousy.

The reason I imagine behind this sectarian antagonism (an attitude

which ails and discredits the entire anarchist 'movement') is the success Class War has had in getting more media than any other anarchist rag.

It doesn't matter what they call themselves or if they choose to eschew the use of @, what counts is that they still put across an anarchist message. Maybe the fact that CW is the most widely read paper in its genre is a sad reflection of the whole anarchist /ic amalgamation, that we've had to resort to sensationalism and drop the word @ to enter the public eye. On the other hand this is a small price to pay if it means increased awareness and support in areas we had been previously (in the last 2 decades or so anyway) unable to reach, such as the workers.

Things get worse when Richard moves on into his "respectable and unrespectable" theory which I'd describe as snobbish crap. Tell me, if the "unrespectable" (as in I suppose the squatters, unemployed, hippies, drop-outs, @s and so on) who are a minority don't mingle, influence and give solidarity to the "respectable" (everyone else) who are a majority, how the hell do you expect to start any sort of mass resistance? Having said this I do concede them and amongst the "respectable" there are certain people we needn't waste our breath on as in bosses, politicians and that sort.

Class War is moving on, trying out different angles, opening up to new ideas and methods while the Green Anarchist remains petrified in its own little fantasy. This is a true shame when green anarchism has so much to offer on issues like ecology, animal rights, paganism, self-sufficiency, communes, alternative medicines etc, topics Class War seems to snub probably fearing to sound too soft or hippyish (or something daft like that).

Class War is not fucked, far from it, yet it must appeal to all its readers to make sure it doesn't turn its back on too many issues that should go hand in hand with anarchism otherwise it may fall into the trap of demagoguery and vanguardism.

Yours in solidarity,

Pascal.

Biggest anarchist demo?

Dear Green Anarchist,

No doubt only a smallish minority of the half million who rallied to the call by William Morris and Peter Kropotkin for free speech at Hyde Park were anarchist; but

that minority was probably over 40%.

The Arbeite Frant demos in the East End of London would have on occasion reached that number.

The industrial demos connected with the syndicalist upsurge - (at the beginning of the second decade of this century) - certainly would have numbered more than 5,000; as would the anarchist contingents in demonstrations in solidarity with the Irish dock strike (1913).

The anarchists in the anti-war demos, in the Clyde Workers' struggles of 1916, as amongst the South Wales miners, and within the nascent shop stewards' movement generally were in far larger numbers.

Again during the last war, when every shop steward in the Lanark-shire coal fields was anarchist, when a 1,000 people every week attended the anarchist meetings on Glasgow Green, and when the London busmen had broken away from the T&G, and debated the creation of a British anarcho-syndicalist confederation there were demos of over 5,000 of which the majority were clearly anarchist.

Through the Committee of 100 was never explicitly an anarchist body, it was by the end of '62 predominantly so, and demos, notably the RSG demos were jointly called by C of 100 and the anarchist federation; and such - as also the anarchist contingent on some of the mid-60s Aldermarches - would certainly have numbered 5,000.

The May Day marches called by the rank and file Fleet Street printers' committee in the later 60s, resisting the Wilson Government and insisting that May Day is May the first, also used to attract anarchist contingents of that sort of size.

This is not to devalue the Stonehenge demo; (though it is not an issue about which I feel deeply) but I do think that that sort of claim should not be made so lightly.

Best,

Laurens

College Farm House, Mill Lane,
Wellington, Salop TF1 1PR

Religious site or soap box?

Bought a copy of your 'Green Anarchist' (no. 19) to read on the way to a celebration. Liked the Dragon. Thought the "if there's no dancing..." was great. Should have read the line "enemies of

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the people are those who know what people need" - a confession of guilt obviously. As purveyors of "what people need" you oughtn't to be listened to. Media. Really glad to know that Arthur and Paul had a good time at Stonehenge this year. Seems they know it was good because the police attacked them. Very bloody alternative. For years we've been trying to have a peaceful spiritual festival at the Primary Temple of Britain. If all you want is confrontation and music you don't have to trample the ashes of Wally Hope to get it - go elsewhere. The police were paid and ordered to do what they did - that's their problem. Our problem is that people like those who climbed the Hele Stone to smoke (even if it was a sacred plant) and wave a black flag desecrate the Temple. If all Arthur could see was the "agent provocateurs" at the back of the crowd he was in the wrong place. The bad news was the worshipping of a black flag in a place no-one was meant to stand. As for the stuff about "pagan anarchists", what sort of ritual is it where you spit on the Druids?

You lot might have enjoyed what you evidently see as a military operation complete with marching, flag-waving, invasion and violence ... but that's got nothing to do with Stonehenge. Stonehenge is a religious site not a soap-box. If there's flag waving, I'm not coming to your revolution.

Not yours, but sincerely,

Graham Harvey of Robin's Green-wood Gang and Roy Matthews of the Secular Order of Druids

188 Hotspur Street, Heaton, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 5BH.

Paganism and Marxism.

Dear Green Anarchist,

Having read your article Against Paganism in issue 18 of GA, let me point out a few mistakes Simon Jones has made in his analysis of modern paganism.

Firstly how can he be conservative at the same time as being the spearhead of new ways of thinking and new ways of living? I can understand Simon's fear of reverting to ancient beliefs in magic, but surely magic has been with us today as it ever has

been. Can he explain to me how Uri Geller bends spoons, or why talking to plants makes them grow faster?

Secondly to equate paganism with religion (capital R) is a mistake. This "Real World" in which Simon Smith lives, is only as real as the number of people who believe in it. Is paganism undermining the revolutionary demand of transforming societies relation to Nature? What Simon really means is that it undermines his limiting Marxist view of Nature and religion (small r). Established world religions and many new religious cults are an escape from human greed and its unfairness as Simon rightly hints at. Paganism is about valuing the individual. It is about overcoming the barriers to Freedom whether they be emotional, psychological or physical. If the methods used to achieve these goals seem

Liberal garbage.

Dear G. A.

Just a few words about David from Hull's letter in the last issue. I've never read such a load of wishy-washy liberal garbage. To put people who call the filth "pigs" in the same light as racist vermin is absolute bollocks. If I call a copper 'pig', 'filth' or whatever then its because I hate that bastard. The police have taken their side and they would have no hesitation in putting a truncheon or bullet into your head and in the same way I don't see why people should have any qualms about attacking the police. The people who shit on us every day of our lives. Maybe you've never experienced the police, maybe you live an easy life where your not forced to resist the likes of the police. People are sick and tired of passive middle class, moralistic, trendies telling them how to fight their struggles. Have you ever wondered why anarchism has never been mainstream? I don't give two shits whether these German coppers had families, in the same way that the cops didn't care about Cherry Croce and Cynthia Jarret for example.

As for your analysis of how Nazism came to power in Germany - people in Germany didn't support Nazism because they believed wholeheartedly in the "Aryan race". People were forced by violence, terror, peer pressure and the fact that Hitler was offering an alternative to the 30's recession. You don't turn round to a 'stormtrooper' and say: "I don't believe there is any genetic basis for the existence of the Aryan race and so I don't support Hitler" because if you did he'd kick your teeth in. Finally,

your ideas on technology. Maybe you should contact the C. E. G. B. with your solution to the worlds energy problems. All we need is a polar bear in every house and our heating problems are solved.

Revolution not passive middle class liberal shit.

Phil of Liverpool ACF.

P. O. Box 110, Liverpool L69 6AU.

Green Anarchism and Green Anarchism

Dear Green Anarchist,

Having read several issues of Green Anarchism it is becoming increasingly obvious that there is some confusion as to what Green Anarchy is actually about. Certainly many of the views expressed in the magazine do not tie up with mine or other Green Anarchists I know.

Take growing food. Who says it is always an unwanted, thankless task? I know several people who spend half their week growing food organically on allotments in Birmingham, and they enjoy it! Of course if all your work is for some faceless boss and you are paid a pittance for your work, then it will be a dirty, unviable job. There is however a big difference between that and growing food for yourself and your friends. Nor does being self sufficient mean everyone having to work 18 hours a day, seven days a week out in the field. Why paint such a gloomy picture of post revolutionary society?

Now on to the next disagreement. Where do you get your statistics on energy from? They seem to disagree from all other sources I've come across. Why dismiss alternative energy sources so quickly? Even at its present stage of development it could produce a lot more food than you give it credit for; and with a bit more time and (dare I say it) money I'm sure we could produce enough energy for the reduced needs of our new world.

I'm not a fan of technology, but I don't think we achieve anything by dismissing safe, appropriate inventions. If we went back to the land and abandoned all the advances of the last 300 years, then within a few generations the lessons could be forgotten and the whole crazy race would start again. We have to start a new society, learning from

our mistakes, but also excepting our successes. We may not want nuclear power, TV,

compact discs etc, but that does not mean we can't use solar power to heat our water or wind to generate enough electricity for our commune.

I think we all reject the useless, wasteful trimmings of our modern society, but that doesn't mean we want to, or have to, live shivering in mud huts on the verge of starvation. That surely is the argument of our enemies. I think it is important that a magazine calling itself Green Anarchist should represent the views of all of us, not just a small minority. As it stands the magazine just plays into the hands of the S. W. P. etc. Obviously the magazine will not change unless more people write for it, I know that when you read some of the stuff it's very tempting to just stop reading the magazine altogether. However this will not change anything, it won't stop Green Anarchist getting a bad press, so please try and write something to make this magazine more representative.

Nancy,
Birmingham.

GA.
GA Replies: Green Anarchist started out trying to reflect the wide opinions of punk/hippies/green anarchists. But because we have developed certain ideas, particularly in economics, many are wanting us to be much more out front about them, to push a certain line. Although we try to give a place to other points of view, as support for our ideas increases we find we are being increasingly specific and that trend is likely to strengthen. There is certainly a place for magazines which reflect a spread of opinions such as Freedom or Greenline. (It is noteworthy that neither of these mags has an economic point of view). And there is a place for a mag to offer the wide spread of green and anarchist ideas. But Green Anarchist is not that mag. Sorry.

Homeopathy

Dear Green Anarchist,

In response to Sarah of Exeter's letter and Chris Savory's foggy article on homeopathy.

Firstly if we are to change societies belief we should not support allopathy, we should have right to do what we want as regards our own bodies. If a child is suffering measles that child is expressing their individuality as measles, if their energy is low then a healer is required and this is where a

homeopath can help. As regards immunisation it suppresses the individuals life energy, the vital force, and makes them no longer susceptible to what they've been immunised against but it weakens the vital force and immune systems thus making the child susceptible to even worse disease than the original.

The other point Sarah makes concerns the remedy Arnica. This is Leopards Bane a plant grown on snowy mountain sides, its main uses are for shock and bruising, the liquid lotion and ointment should be applied externally to the bruised area provided the skin is not broken. For cuts use Calendula (marigold). For shock Arnica 30c should be used internally. A dose is one tablet placed under the tongue and allowed to dissolve, the patient should not eat or drink anything 1/2 hr before or after taking a remedy, (you may not know in a shock situation if they have drunk before but still give the remedy).

The other point Sarah makes concerns who to go and see and how good they are. Well I am studying to be a homeopath and am half way through a professional course. Over the next two years I shall be sitting in with and be supervised by experienced homeopaths when I treat my own patients. Having said this I am currently treating people with various ailments, but one thing we are taught is to know your own limitations. If you can't deal with it stop and pass them on to someone who can. You can't harm anyone with homeopathy. If you are unsure of which homeopath to use ask them if they are on the society of homeopath register or College of Homeopathy. Both will only accept a high degree/standard of studies. Once you have found a suitably qualified and experienced homeopath you will want to know how much they will charge. If you are low waged or unemployed tell them, most will make allowances.

I hope this will clear up any fog that you created in the previous Green Anarchist.

Yours homeopathically,
Marcus.
61, Salisbury Way,
Thetford,
Norfolk.

Irish view.

Dear GA,

I have had personal experience of abuse by the forces of technocracy, having been given electro-shock treatment when I was about 17, and having lost my love of drawing and

painting and general creativity as a result. They even told me to "Forget all that nonsense" as they called it. Well some people might say I have a grievance or a "chip on my shoulder" as consequence.

Later I was to lose much sleep working for a bastard of a speculator using young traveller children and anyone else he could exploit. I was working night shift in a bakery, 12-14 hours nightly, where unions were not even thought of. I would just like to comment on an article in a previous issue of GA which points out that you should not turn your back on the working class as I suspect many of them may not have had an alternative or known of one. I have a certain degree of sympathy for all exploited people in this rotten system. I am of the belief that most destruction in the coming years will be caused by nature. I think the signs are there already.

I believe we are in what is described in the Book of Revelation in the Bible or what the Hopi Indians call the Purification. Is that your view? I am aware of the associations with patriarchal aspect of the Bible but I think that the signs are there like the burning sun and the quote "It is time to destroy those who destroy the Earth".

I was up in a commune a few years ago on an island off Donegal. It is called Atlantis, you may have heard of it. I was also a supporter of Michael Tobin and Caroline Kuiper of Solar Age Pathfinders who also are in Co Donegal. I really think there should be a worldwide federation of all forces opposed to technocracy and the abuse of the Earth by the multinationals. I see that a group in Thailand burned down a chemical plant. Good for them. I must admit that there is a growing polarisation amongst right-wing forces in Europe and the USA and of course in Britain I would say that my own country is not that right-wing compared to some of the larger ones, but of course they all subscribe to Capitalism and technocracy. I heard recently of a farmer, down in the south of Eire, who took a multinational to court over toxic effects. I don't know of any farmers who would be sympathetic to anarchism around here unfortunately, but I know of one or two who don't like what is being done by the multinationals and their kind.

If you want any more information you can let me know, or if any of you are over this way you are quite welcome to call in at this address:-

Thomas McIntyre,
48 Abbey Street,
Ballinrobe,
Co Mayo.

SUBCULTURE

BOOK REVIEWS

THE SQUAMISH FIVE. WRITINGS OF THE VANCOUVER FIVE

In 1981-2 the Vancouver Five, protesting against "nuclear extinction, environmental collapse and violent pornography", exploded a car bomb at Litton Systems factory, Rexdale which makes the Cruise guidance system, blew up a substation of a dam which threatened ecological destruction, and fire-bombed many pornographic video shops. They were sentenced to between 6 and 41 years imprisonment each. They were tried by the media and found guilty of terrorism. A recent film 'The Squamish Five' has failed to put the record straight. This reprint of their writings allows those who took direct action to speak for themselves. They are three men and two women and the influence of anarchy-feminism pervades the writing and finds hierarchical patriarchy the root cause of the evils we face - industrialism. "We must stop presuming that we need all of our modern devices and processes to survive and be happy. We don't. And we must stop assuming that the people with the power, be they elected or otherwise, will make the right decisions for us. They won't. We must stop kidding ourselves that industrialism and the environment can co-exist. They can't". From Toronto Black Cross. PO Box 6326, Station A, Toronto, Ontario M5W 1P7, CANADA.

Richard Hunt.

CRISIS. FLEETWAY PUBLICATIONS. 65p.

'Crisis' comic has been attracting a lot of attention, with a fortnightly circulation of 165,000 readers and reviews in such pillars of the Establishment as the Economist and the Sunday Telegraph.

It should. 'Crisis's Third World War strip is systematically smashing all the old myths about aid to so-called less developed countries, and doing so in a way that everyone can understand and everyone will want to know more.

The storyline is that come 2000AD, the Third World is fighting back so hard against unwanted aid that the unemployed kids in the industrialised world are being drafted onto the FreeAid programme to keep the multinational markets open and the profits rolling in. Straight green anarchism in fact. They tell us we



are going to be acknowledged as an important source.

The ideas are getting out of the ghetto. 'Crisis' is from the same stable as '2000AD'. 65p: go get it!!

THE STONEHENGE CONFLICT: EXPERIENCES AND OPINIONS. JOHN HARRISON. 12 A5 PAGES. 30p.

It includes a short history of the festivals, the battle of the Beanfield, Rituals and the 1988 conflict. A useful introduction to the Stonehenge issue.

NEW MAGS

WARZINE. FREE.

From the Warzone Collective in Belfast. News, what's on, short pieces on straightedging (not using intoxicants), dancefloor violence, poetry, recipes and "Even the most right wing of politicians now concede that their last attempt at internment was a complete disaster. The whole situation needs a rethink (unlikely from Loyalist politicians as they seem to find it hard to think at all). In my view, they are just a symptom (if you treat people like shit, that's what you get) so by trying to 'Smash the IRA' they are doing nothing to solve the real problem - that of a disunited working class". Warzone is setting up a library and needs books and donations to The Warzone Collective, c/o Warzone, PO Box 148, Belfast.

The jailing of Robin Lane and Sally Carr last year for producing UK's ALFSG has meant its reappearance in Canada now.

Animal liberationist activities in Canada are smaller-scale and their UK Hit Diary owes more to the last UK ALFSG than action reports being sent direct to them (so do it!) but tips on direct action against the super market without resorting to contamination hoaxes and the suggestion of triggering fire alarms to clear fast food stores sound eminently practical.

Although the meat=famine line is a bit superficial, the mag takes the issue of indigenous peoples whaling and trapping head on. A must for all those animal libbers out there wondering what everyone else has been up to, and available from: Front Line News, PO Box 915 Station F, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M4Y 2N9.

ALF contact address has moved. Its now 121 Rallton Road, Brixton, London. Remember all letters are read!

ALLOTMENTS

If you're lucky enough to obtain a cultivated allotment the job of ground clearance will be simple, just dig the ground over and let the sundry and kill the weeds.

But, it is more likely that you will inherit a plot which is carpeted in weeds, and this will call for harder, more thorough work.

Double digging is one method which can be used. The first spit of soil is placed in a wheel-barrow or on a plastic sheet. The second spit is then dug and placed; weeds downwards into the hole left by the first spit, and so on.

The last hole is then filled in with the soil from the first hole.

When using this method be sure to pick out the long white roots of couch grass which can propagate from a very small length of its roots.

Another good method for weed control is mulching: this starves the weeds of light.

Black plastic sheeting, flattened cardboard boxes, layers of newspaper and old carpets can all be used.

Weigh them down with stones and if its to unsightly cover with straw or leafmold.

Mulches have to be left for a complete season to kill off all the weeds and seeds, but the dead weeds put humus into the soil and encourages the earthworms to breed, which in turn cultivates the soil.

If you put a layer of compost or seaweed under the mulch (this is best done in November as it allows the micro-organisms and worms to break the matter down) the next season you can plant straight through the mulch, potatoes, tomatoes, stawberries can be grown

by this method. A black plastic mulch warms the soil and also holds in the moisture as well as surpressing weeds.

CHRIS .

RECIPE

A (QUASI) RAW FOOD RECIPE

A good way of getting accustomed to eating lots of 'crudites' is to make a delicious dip to insert them into. Dunking or dipping has psychological resonances which go far back into childhood shades of marmite soldiers and runny egg-yolk.

Anyway, hummous-tahini is not strictly raw, the raw version is a bit strong. But the secret is to sprout the chickpeas (soak overnight then rinse 'n' sprout for three days). Then they cook quickly. Blend with some of the water, lots of lemon juice, garlic, shoyu, and a spoonful or two of tahini. You can garnish with parsley, olives, a little olive oil, and/or cucumin/paprika.

I can eat unlimited quantities of hummous, and also unlimited carrot, celery sticks, lettuce hearts, radish and tomato wedges, alfalfa sprouts ad infinitum - "tum" being the operative organ, as hummous does inflate you somewhat.

The best sources of hummous are the Arab resturants in the Edgware Road. They supply the various accessories - pitta bread, falafal etc. Hummous is also an Israeli dish, some might say the only dish, but in our wanderings we haven't found any joyous cheap Israeli eateries (only glum seedy ones!).

KAREN NOBLE

POEM

MUTANT PSYCHOWRECKINGSURFPUNK-QUIFFOBILLIES

Mutant wreckers, Turkey Dance,
Cropped quiff hair, Fascist stance,
Stomping round to that voodoo sound,
The hardest cult thats to be found.
Admire my strength, my manly charms,
Bleached quiff hair and tatooed arms,
The girls all watch their big balled heroes,
Real men not long haired weirdoes,
They'll be fucked tonight by a super man,
Who holds his chod in both his hands,
But until that time there's a gig on here,
We're spilling blood and spewing beer,
Gouging eyes and breaking faces,
Beating up queers and other races,
Its the hardest music to be found,
That cramped up meteroric king kunt sound.

KODIAK BEAR

NEWS LOANS DEMO SALMONELLA

On Nov. 24th 1500 students converged on London to demonstrate against student loans in the largest mass student demonstration since Grosvenor Square in 1968. When the majority diverted from the set route to march across Westminster Bridge to lobby Parliament, they found their path blocked by mounted police and vans and blocked from behind too. The mounted police then charged the students hemmed in on the bridge front and back. This cavalry charge was accompanied by indiscriminate physical attacks.

The demo was not caused by SWP agitation but genuinely represented student anger and frustration. Another mass demonstration has been called for early February. It is important that even more people go to this. Also to challenge the presence of the reactionary socialist parties, e. g. SWP, RCP and Militant, a visible Green/Anarchist contingent is essential, so bring green/black flags along.

Steve.

LEE 'ENVIRONMENTAL'

Threats of violence and inspection raids have been carried out against Lee Environmental, the largest industrial waste disposal company in Britain. It's owner has taken out court injunctions against local residents campaigning against the firm's leaky record. Which side is the law on?

COMING UP

DECEMBER

- 7. Stonehenge '89 Meeting. 99 Torriano Avenue, London NW5.
- 14. Northeast London Polytechnic Anarchist and Greens Dayskool. 'Animals and the Politics of Food'. SIS Holbrook Centre, Holbrook Road, Plaistow, London E13. 1 - 4 pm.
- 15. Ark Royal returns to Portsmouth. Demo on land and sea, as part of Disarm the Seas campaign.
- Winter Solstice. Knowledge and Skill-sharing Week. Info from: New University Project, 24 South Road, Hockley, Birmingham 18.
- 22? Winter Solstice at Stonehenge.

JANUARY

- New Year. Course in Sexuality and Massage. Info from: New University Project (above).
- 4. Stonehenge '89 meeting (address above).
- 25. Northeast London Poly Dayskool. 'Housing and Squatting'. Info from NELP @s (above).

FEBRUARY

New University Project Skill-sharing weekend. Info from: Brighton-686357.

- ? . Student Loans Demo.
- 1. Stonehenge '89 meeting (address above).

MARCH

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- 18. DAY OF ANGER. Oxford. Express your anger at injustice, poverty and hunger, in Oxford, the nursery of the class system.

Now almost all battery hens and eggs in Europe and North America carry a new salmonella virus. This virus is in all the birds from the moment of conception until they are fully cooked.

There are a number of reasons for this, from the cramped and insanitary conditions the birds are reared, work and eventually die in to the fact that any chicken meat, offal and waste (heads, guts and feathers) deemed unsuitable for human consumption is recycled as food for the next generation of chickens. It has also been said that if the pullets were raised with their mothers that they would more easily build up an immunity to the virus.

For the moment the government and DHE has simply advised people not to eat raw or undercooked eggs, distributed new guidelines (not enforceable laws) to cafes and restaurants for the handling of eggs and set up a committee to look into the problem of eradicating the disease.

ECO-SABBING

Villagers involved with the Northern Parishes Action Group (NORPAG) have picketted the home of Minister Against the Environment Ridley as a protest against property development in their area of the Green Belt. Slogans have been daubed and site machinery sabotaged where development is going on.

APRIL

- 1-9. Central America Week. Info from 82 Margaret Street, London W1N 8LN.
- 2. National CND Demo in London.
- 5. Stonehenge '89 meeting (address above).

Centre for Alternative Technology run weekend residential courses on a wide range of subjects from blacksmithing to womens weekend. Info: CAT, Machynlleth, Powys SY20 9AZ.

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